

## TOWN OF FREETOWN WATER COMMISSION

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## Minutes of the Water and Sewer Commission meeting 01/23/2015

10:05 a.m. Meeting called to order

Members present: Bob Parker and Mike Pillarella

Staff present: Keven Desmarais

Reconvened at 10:10 a.m. in Town Administrators office

Present Mike Pillarella, Brad Paiva, Bob Parker, Keven Desmarais, Eric DiVirgilio, Michael Stoffer, Jorge Brokes, Jr., Kim Dobosz, Jean Fox

Mike discusses about the need for the water system expansion at the RR crossing location.

Discussed requirements need in pipe sizes. Copicut 8 inch main, High Street 8 inch main, Elm Street 12 inch main.

MBTA suggested that a formal letter from the town documenting issues that were discussed today (water shortage, fires) should be sent to MBTA.

Discussed 30 inch sleeves should be used. MBTA requires steel coated be used.

Provide detail of proposed materials and sizes to MBTA. They will look at it and decide if it meets specs.

MBTA requested a catalog or sheet on pipes that would be used.

Actions to be done by Water Commission

-Board to send MBTA a letter stating Master Plan. Letter should contain what funds town will have available for materials, labor, and police detail. Also a letter from Town Administrator confirming it might help expedite process.

-Draft a letter up and send to Kim Dobosz for review.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Meeting reconvened downstairs at 11:05

Discussed getting a letter from Camponelli regarding the expansion of water.

Review minutes of Jan. 9, 2015. Motion by Mike to accept the minutes. Passed unanimously.

Discussed Financial Hardships. Should be kept tracked. New clerk will be required to manage these accounts. Accounts that are accepted should be set up on payment plan. Customers need to keep on it. Payment plan should only be for past due amount. Future bills must be kept current and if not this can void contract and go to lien.

Customers that are applying for hardship

Jackie Bernard, 7 West Public Street- suggestion have customer come in and fill out application John Cooney, 24 Central Ave.

Richard Nuttall, 6 Olivia Lane- was agreed to accept \$200.00 a month until account is paid. Mike motioned all in favor.

Also discussed drawing up a contract that customer can sign. Customer needs to agree to contract and adhere by it or contract will be void and account will go to lien.

Lien Report—Need to have better management and tracking of liens.

Abatements- Mike motioned for abatements for December. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned by Mike at 11:50 a.m. Keven 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Isabel Ferreira